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TAGS:PFOR, TO

SUBJECT:TOGOLESE INDEPENDENCE DAY MESSAGE

1. PLEASE DELIVER FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT FORD TO  
PRESIDENT EYADEMA PRIOR APRIL 27 INDEPENDENCE DAY: QUOTE  
DEAR MR. PRESIDENT: ON THE OCCASION OF THE FIFTEENTH ANNI-

VERSARY OF THE INDEPENDENCE OF TOGO; I WANT TO EXTEND TO  
YOU MY CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES. IN KEEPING WITH  
AMERICA'S DESIRE FOR PEACEFUL AND PRODUCTIVE RELATIONS WITH  
ALL NATIONS, LET ME TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO REAFFIRM THE  
FRIENDSHIP WHICH EXISTS BETWEEN TOGO AND THE UNITED STATES.  
I PLEDGE MY SUPPORT FOR CONTINUED COOPERATION BETWEEN OUR  
TWO COUNTRIES IN SEEKING A BETTER LIFE FOR ALL PEOPLES.  
SINCERELY, GERALD R. FORD, UNQUOTE.

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2. DEPT DOES NOT PLAN TO RELEASE TEXT BUT HAS NO OBJECTION

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